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SPELLS POVERTY.

A contributor to the Philadelphia Press, who has passed through the dear school of experience, gives a most forcible argument why our protective policy should not be abolished. He says:

I am now nearly four score years old and I have always earned my living by hard work, so I can talk intelligently to the working man about the coming election. I remember every free trade panic since James K. Polk's administration. Right here I want to say something about the workingman's condition at that time under free trade. First, work was hard to get. Laboring men received fifty cents a day for twelve hours' work. My father was a stone mason. He got 62 cents. I was eleven years old. I worked in the cotton factory thirteen hours a day and received three dollars a month.

I remember well how economically we had to live. I got one pair of shoes a year. During the summer season I had to go barefooted until the frost came. This was the general condition of the working man. Just think of children eleven years working thirteen hours and laboring men twelve hours at fifty cents. We did not call this a panic we called it by its right name—Free trade and hard times.

When the old Whig party elected Harrison in 1841 and a tariff law was passed, a number of iron furnaces were built. I well remember one near our city which had fairly started when the Democrats elected Jas. K. Polk. They cut down the tariff. The furnaces were shut down until the Whigs elected Zach Taylor. It started and there was plenty of work everywhere and wages advanced. In 1852 the Democrats elected Franklin Pierce. The same old thing. But when James Buchanan was elected in 1856, he was an old free trader, and we had the worst panic I ever witnessed. Many men were out of work. The best mechanics were out of work and had to go to the soup house.

Later on when Mr. Cleveland was elected the second time we got another dose of free trade. That dose many of your readers remember. The last Cleveland administration a friend of mine said to me, "How is it this is the first time in twenty years that I was out of work?" I told him he voted for it and had to take his medicine.

All I have to say to the working man, "Don't be deceived; vote the regular Republican ticket."

These are some of the things that Republicans should consider before they vote for a change. To reverse our protective policy will mean a re-adjustment all around, and it is the

working classes who will suffer most during this readjustment. A good policy to pursue is to let well enough alone.

POPULAR EDUCATION.

Pittsburg seems at least to have solved the problem of popular education. By the institution of a system of night schools, both elementary and high, and making these schools open to all—adults as well as children—with no requirements other than attendance and compliance with regulations on the part of pupils, it would seem that the desired results of free schools may be attained.

Free night schools, where adults, young men and women in particular can attend without the humiliation of having to go into small grades, but are accorded instruction individually, such as is desired, is the highest type of a popular system of education.

In the millions of cases where children are obliged to leave school at the age of fourteen years or less, opportunities often occur later in life where these same children could supplement their meagre educational training by attending the night schools if opportunity offered. The fact that hundreds of private night schools thrive, is sufficient argument for their regular institution.

There is no reason why the State should confine its free school service to children. There is not the slightest doubt but what the well being of society is conserved by opening the schools to adults. While young men and women are attending these schools they are not frequenting questionable resorts, nor getting in bad company. On the contrary the person who attends night school is usually actuated by inspiring motives, and is making an effort for self advancement. With these night schools open to young and old alike and universally established, the idea of popular education will be more fully realized. Pittsburg has set an inspiring example.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

It is now up to the heiress to elope with her father's aviator.

Col. Roosevelt's platform is a curious mixture of the decalogue and the monologue.

Many persons are afraid of a charged wire who do not in the least fear a charged account.

Some men work their way through college, but a whole lot more work their son's way through.

About the only virtue the chronic loafer has is the fidelity with which he sticks to his chosen occupation.

Some of these half naked costumes that kidlets wear nowadays puzzles one to determine whether the wearers are stylish or poor.

The Dallas News says that every man the most beautiful woman in the world is the one you sadly miss when she's away, and most gladly welcome when she returns.

Even bound public documents which Congressmen give their constituents have their uses. They are good to prop up one end of the ronin board, or to make a high chair for the next to the youngest.

Every one knows we can lick Mexico, so what's the use of sending troops across the border. Those unorganized Greasers can play hide and seek with our soldiers as indolently as with the Mexican regulars.

There are many people who would scorn to partake of a link or a meal who do not have the slightest compunction in asking a newspaper for a free donation of space to advertise something in which they're interested.

When the Raven Was Milk White.

According to Mohammedan belief the ravens which Noah took with him on the ark were both pure white. When the ark had been riding the billows of the flood for thirty-three days one of the giraffes died, and the caravans were thrown overboard. No sooner had they struck the water than the ravens mounted upon it. For this Noah was not sure that day they were soon up to the

PICKED UP IN PASSING

LAUGHTER AND TEARS.

Why an Outburst of the One May Cause a Flow of the Other.

What is laughter and why do tears so often accompany it?

On each side of the throat is an artery called the carotid. At the level of the larynx this divides, one branch which carries blood to the brain, being called the internal, the other, which distributes blood to the face, being called the external. These two branches are joined about the level of the eyes by the ophthalmic artery, which forms a canal between them. This communication is the cause of the close connection between the brain and the tear glands, between laughter and grief, both of which are generators of tears.

Physiologically, a burst of laughter is nothing but a strenuous effort, like lifting a heavy weight. In both cases the muscles of the throat and stomach contract.

When laughter is excessive the whole body is convulsed; every muscle is contracted. In the place of normal respiration come short intermittent respirations, insomuch to free the lungs from the semi-asphyxia produced by the contraction of the throat muscles. The face shows the expansion of the blood vessels of the head. Apoplexy may in rare cases result. These muscles, in contracting, press the veins, and the veins are no longer able to supply the brain with blood. In consequence this rushes up the internal carotid, which becomes choked and dilated. It can stand the pressure only because the ophthalmic artery relieves it. Taking this route the blood congests the tear glands, which overflow.

Tears are exactly the same as the liquid part of the blood. So it is a fair deduction that the action of crying is equivalent to certain loss of blood, which relieves the congestion of the brain. This is why women feel so much better after a good cry.

The facial contortions of weeping persons are caused by the automatic contraction of such muscles as are needed to compress the tear glands and so help to squeeze out the tears. —New York World.

BATTLE OF MARATHON.

The Most Decisive Day in the History of the World.

The single day in the world's history which was fraught with the most tremendous consequences to mankind was the day on which the battle of Marathon was fought. The handful of tiny states that inhabited Greece had developed faculties which indicated that man had advanced another stage toward the highest ideals.

Foremost among those little nations was Athens, which state, too, contained the germs of human freedom. It was the forerunner of the democracies of the world. But the very existence of Athens and Greece was threatened by the huge barbaric empire of Persia. Darius had sent out his hordes of warriors to add the Grecian states to his vast dominions. Face to face his forces met the Athenians on the plains of Marathon.

Hitherto invincible in the field, the Persians looked upon the little army opposed to them with contempt. The Greeks themselves hesitated to hazard a battle with the conquerors of the world. Their generals debated the question, and the decision to fight the Persians was caused by the eleventh hour. Darius had sent 10,000 Greeks against the Persian host and gained a decisive victory. The glorious day of Marathon beat back the advancing tide of eastern despotism and barbarism and saved the freedom and civilization of the western world. —Pearson's Weekly.

Seventeenth Century Grocers.

Department stores would have fared hard in the seventeenth century unless their proprietors could have induced parliament to grant more privileges than were allowed to other shopkeepers. The articles that a grocer might sell were definitely prescribed. They were draysons, currants, sugar, spice, soap, candle, molasses, gunpowder, shot, match, tar pitch, resin, tobacco, cotton, starch, herring, prunes, figs, linsseed oil, lead, olives, firs, Spanish white alabaster, alum, almonds, Bernstein, lampblack and candle rushes.

No Money, No Marriage.

"A fortune teller told me that you are going to marry me," said the young man with the prominent socks.

"Did she also tell you that you are going to inherit a very large fortune?" inquired the girl with the matinee hair.

"She didn't say anything about a fortune."

"Then she is not much of a fortune teller, and you had better not place any reliance in anything she says." —Washington Herald.

Maternalism.

Kind Gentleman. What are you going to do to Johnny, when you become a man? Johnny Nawthin. Kind Gentleman. What? Not going to do anything? Johnny. No. Just as soon as I started something ma would tell me to stop it. Judge.

Odorless.

"Now, children," said the teacher, who can tell me what the word 'odorless' means?"

Willie Jones was sure he knew.

"Well, Willie, what does it mean?"

"Odorless means without a scent," he piped.

"Right. Now who can give a sentence using the word correctly?" continued the teacher. "You may answer Jimmie."

"Please, ma'am, when you are odorless you cannot ride in the trolley cars." —Youth's Companion.

Ability doth hit the mark where presumption overshooteth and diffidence falleth short. —Cusa.

Pity is best taught by fellowship in woe. —Coleridge.

MEMORY OF SAVAGES.

Wonderful Feats of the Zulus in Conveying Verbal Messages.

The memory in savage or uncivilized peoples is often trained to a degree very surprising to those civilized men and women who have grown used to depending on the written much more than on the remembered word. The transmision of whole epics, like the "Iliad," by word of mouth no longer seems so incredible when you read of the feats of memory of which present day Zulus are capable.

These people, says Mr. Gibson in "The Story of the Zulus," have no writing and are accustomed to transmit messages and record events by memory alone. This they can do because their mental impressions are made especially distinct by reason of their acquired or inherited habit of giving undivided attention to the subject in hand.

Communications between the British authorities and the Zulu kings were almost invariably conducted by means of verbal messages carried by natives. A certain ultimatum addressed by the British to Cetywayo was conveyed to him not upon paper, but in the brain of the messenger whom he had sent eighty miles to receive it from the British authorities.

Apparently the document contained some 1,000 words and was accompanied by much comment on the state of things it was destined to remedy. The whole was repeated to Cetywayo with perfect accuracy.

MOVING PICTURES.

Why They Sometimes Show Wheels Turning the Wrong Way.

Every one must have noticed that in moving pictures the wheels of carriages or automobiles often seem to be turning backward instead of forward.

One puzzled person wrote to the Scientific American asking why, and this is that paper's answer:

In taking a moving picture there are perhaps sixteen exposures made each second. If now the spokes of the wheel of a carriage move with a speed so that the spokes are in the same position at each exposure, that wheel will seem to stand still in the picture.

If the wheel is moving slower, then the spokes will be seen farther backward in the successive views, and the wheel will seem to turn backward, while if it will seem to turn forward when the spokes move fast enough to occupy positions further forward in each exposure.

It is a matter of the interruption for the exposure and the motion of the wheel. If there are sixteen exposures and the wheel turns through the space between two spokes in one-sixteenth of a second the wheel would be in the same position at each successive exposure and so would not seem to move at all.

Gymnasium Training.

Every person who has received gymnasium training is aware of the fact that an exercise which calls for a great effort on the part of the beginner is often performed almost without any conscious effort at all after a certain amount of training has been received. Again, it is perfectly well known that brute strength alone does not make a gymnast and that even simple exercise may offer great difficulty to a muscular and well developed individual who has not been trained in the gymnasium. The explanation for this is made in an article by Professor Dubois Raymond in the "Emerson," who points out that one of the essential functions of gymnasium work is not so much to build up muscle as to train nerves and nerve groups to work in proper union and co-ordination.

Flags at Half Mast.

Ever since flags were used in war it has been the custom to have the flag of the superior or conquering nation above that of the inferior or vanquished. When an army found itself hopelessly beaten it hauled its flag down far enough for the flag of the victors to be placed above it on the same pole. This was a token not only of submission, but of respect. In those days when a famous soldier died flags were lowered out of respect to his memory. The custom long ago passed from purely military usage to public life of all kinds, the flag flying at half mast being a sign that the dead man was worthy of universal respect. The space left above it is for the flag of the great conqueror of all, the angel of death.

One Good Way.

"My wife," said Mr. Clarke, "sent \$2 in answer to an advertisement of a sure method of getting rid of superfluous fat."

"And what did she get for the money?" Was the information when she wanted?" asked Mr. Simmons.

"Well, she got a reply telling her to sell it to the soap man." —Harper's Monthly.

He Guesses Right.

"Ah, me," exclaimed Mrs. Nagget, "my shopping was most unsatisfactory today."

"Huh," grunted Nagget. "Trying to get something for nothing, I suppose."

"Yes, dear. I was after a birthday gift for you." —Philadelphia Press.

Quite a Change.

Howell-Russell doesn't speak to his wife Powell. And I can remember when he thought it was worth \$1 to say a few words to her by long distance telephone. —Judge.

It is a fine thing to know when to let go. Many a man holds on too long. It is better to jump overboard than to go down with the sinking ship.

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One thing is sure—local, toll or long distance Bell service "gets you in on the ground floor," when you want it. People are "in" to the telephone. A telephone call means action. Travel the Bell highway. There are prospects and profits along the road.

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Charleroi, Pa.

The Mystery of Love.

If a man should importune me to give a reason why I loved him I find it could not otherwise be expressed than by making answer, because it was he because it was I. There is beyond all that I can say to say I know not what the "what" and "why" power that brought me this union. Moonstruck.

The Faculty.

"The Faculty" is what one's book says. "Faculty" means "the body of teachers or professors in a college or university." It is a word of Latin origin, meaning "power" or "ability."

It was a common expression in the days of the Puritan schoolmasters that one should overtake a most peculiar way of life.

"Yes, 'tis an 'Estimo' said the master.

"An 'Estimo.' What on earth do you take to mean?"

"Oh, I thought it would be a compliment to see one hump to it if the place turned out to be a frost."

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ERROS OR ERREURS.

Common Abuse of the Verbs to Get, to Lay and to Lie.

The verb to get is one of our most misused words. It means to a quite win, obtain, and probably it signifies the putting forth of exert to attain something. Quite plainly it is not only superfluous, but in some cases it speaks of a man as "getting drowned" or "getting sick," and you very unfortunately "have a cold," but it is impossible that you "have got a cold."

At this moment no exertions occur to the writer to the rule that got should never be used in connection with have which alone sufficiently expresses possession. Say "I have the picture," not "I have got the picture." "The dog has a broken leg," not "The dog has got a broken leg."

The irregular verbs lay and lie are frequently confounded. Lay is an active or transitive verb, and lie is passive or intransitive. We lay things down or have laid them down, but we and things lie at rest. You lie down, have lain down, will lie down or are lying down. She lay down yesterday and is going to lie down this afternoon.

A frequent error is to confound the past tenses of these verbs. One should say, "Mary laid the book on the table and lay down herself," but the book lies on the table. —Exchange.

BAD FOR THE STOMACH.

When Non-fatty Foods Are Intimately Mixed With Grease.

The stomach never has the least power of digesting true fat. This is disposed of in the intestines. When eaten in the ordinary forms, as fat meat, butter, etc., the fat separates out in the stomach and does not in the least interfere with the work of the gastric juice on the other food, but when a non-fatty food has been intimately mixed with grease the latter prevents the gastric juice getting at the food it could digest.

Fish fried in oil or butter is by no means the most marked example, as the fat does not penetrate very deeply. Potatoes crushed with butter are rather worse, and minced vegetables fried with butter are bad offenders. The reason advanced explains why pork is difficult of digestion. The muscular fibers are mixed up with fat cells, and by the liberation of the oil in each tiny cell the fatty pork is made into an oily paste.

A very strong stomach will do the work required, but it is not a fair task to impose frequently, and a weak stomach will refuse to do anything beyond reminding its owner by a few stabs that it will not stand such treatment.

Solving the Old Problem.

When Sir Thomas Lipton was a small boy in Scotland he dropped into a church one Sunday morning and was put by himself in a pew directly in front of the minister, who preached a sermon on the text "Am I my brother's keeper?"

The person who was unusually eloquent, talked on this theme for about forty minutes and finally worked up to the climax of his remarks. He kept his gaze fixed directly on the little Lipton, who began to fidget and look very self-conscious. At last, after an overwheating outpouring of long words, the minister, his eyes blazing, made a quick gesture and shouted at the boy: "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Lipton could stand the strain no longer, and replied in a meek voice: "No, sir." —Popular Magazine

Dear Little Edward,
Uncle—What have you learned at school today, Edward? Edward—Just how to take the back off my history, and fix a real good Indian story into it, so the teacher can't find out that I ain't studying.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

It is very easy to get angry with somebody for doing what it would be very unreasonable for anybody to get angry over if you do it.

STEEL RAILS A MARVEL.

The Strain, the Pull, the Pounding and Grinding They Endure.

Have you an idea of the strain to which a steel rail is subjected today? Let us consider one for a moment in the time of its greatest torture and see. The Cannon Ball express is coming. It is drawn by two engines. The largest weighs 100 tons. Seventy seven tons of the weight are carried on the six driving wheels, which means almost thirteen tons to a wheel. Thirteen tons of weight upon each wheel! That means thirteen tons of weight impinging for a dying instant upon a rail surface perhaps no more than an inch square and then moving forward all the time, a succession of whirling blows from a thirteen ton hammer.

If the train is going thirty miles an hour an imaginary square inch has but one five hundred and twenty eighth part of a second in which to receive the blow, wince under it, distribute the terrible force of it through its elastic elements to the surrounding mass of the rail, brace itself to help distribute stresses that are being set up on adjacent surfaces and zigzagging back and forth in all sorts of ways through the content of the rail and then almost instantly lift its devoted head to receive the blow of the next driving wheel. If the train is going sixty miles an hour instead of thirty this all has to be received, withstood and passed on in one hundred and fifty-sixth part of a second.

And yet this isn't all that is happening to the nerves of the rail. This is only taking account of the compression strains. There is another set of strains, for these big driving wheels are pulling the train. They have caught hold of the rails just as your hands grip the rope in a tug-of-war, and they take a fresh hold every fraction of a second. The tendency is to pull the top or head off the rail, to pull it all to pieces. It is the business of the rail to stick together, head and web and flange, in every single and separate molecule with all the tenacity of which steel is capable.

But we have stated only one-half the tension strain. This strain is reversing all the time, for while the huge drivers are pulling one part of the rail toward them they are pushing another part away from them. This plucking and spurning, hauling and kicking, tension and compression go on continuously. Complete reversing from compression to tension or back again takes place with every half turn of a driving wheel and at a frightfully rapid rate. The marvel is that the rail is not ground to powder.—Metropolitan Magazine.

The Explanation.

Robert Henri, the artist, said in New York of a bogus "old master":

"Some of these experts must be very ignorant, judging from the facility with which they are duped. They must be ready to swallow anything. It's like the Velasquez story."

"An auctioneer, you know, put up the picture, saying:

"Here we are, ladies and gentlemen—this exquisite Velasquez—'Battle of Waterloo.' What am I bid? One million nine hundred thousand!"

"But," interrupted an expert in a puzzled voice—"but I thought Velasquez died before the battle of Waterloo?"

"So he did, sir," explained the auctioneer, "so he did, but this, you see, is one of dear old Velly's posthumous works!"—New York Tribune.

"Barber's Music."

Barbers in the old days might well charge heavily, for theirs must have been a nerve racking existence.

Barbers were provided instead of newspaper, and customers used to strum on these while waiting for a vacant chair.

Dekker, writing early in the seventeenth century, refers to "a barber's criter for every man to play on." The term "barber's music" was a common one in the days of Pepys, who on June 5, 1660, records, "After supper my lord called for the lieutenant's criter, and with two candlesticks, with money in them for symbols, we made barber's music, with which my lord was very well pleased."—London Standard.

Curt and Concise.

A certain surly old Yankee who runs a small summer hotel on the Massachusetts coast once received a rambling letter from a prospective guest who wrote to enquire "two large, sunny rooms overlooking the ocean and connecting with private bath." One may imagine the lady's surprise at getting the following curt reply: "Dear Madam—All rooms face the ocean, and that's your bath!"—Lippincott's.

Considerate.

X. an incorrigible borrower. Lend me a fiver, old man. Y. twainly lending him £4 lbs.—I'm keeping the other shilling to pay for the postage of the letters which I shall have to write you before I get my money back. X. coolly. Keep 5 shillings, then. That will give me more time. London Tit Bits

Something to Try.

Tweed & Cheviet tailors, wrote to Livingston-Brighton as follows:

"We must have something on account by Saturday next. What can we count on?"

And Mr. Ingstrand promptly replied: "Five ten an adling machine?"

Jarred His Dad.

Father—No, indeed! My father never heard me tell a lie! Willie—Was grandpa as deaf and grandma?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Who love too much hate in the like extreme.—Popes.

To be overpolite is to be rude.—Japanese Proverb.

LAYING OUT A ROAD.

Billings Was In No Hurry, So the Work Was Done Right.

A good many years ago C. K. G. Billings, who made his millions in Carnegie gas, bought a good sized plot of ground on the heights overlooking the Hudson river at the upper end of Manhattan Island. Some time later he put up a house which still remains the pride of "new York" guides.

When the land had been bought the question arose as to the best means of laying out a roadway up the steep and rocky hill, at the crest of which the house was to stand. Mr. Billings was puzzled. He wanted to make it as easy a climb as he could. He mentioned the problem to his friend W. C. Muschenheim, a New York hotel proprietor. Mr. Muschenheim, who was familiar with the hills and dales of that part of New York, gave the following advice:

"You aren't in any great hurry, so why don't you have it done right? Put one of your cows on that land and give her time to lay out a path up that hill. Trust her to find the easiest and most comfortable grade."

Mr. Billings followed the suggestion and in the course of time the cow made a path which has long since been developed into a permanent winding slowly as winding roadway.—Saturday Evening Post.

BIRTH OF A LETTER.

The Way "W" Came to Take the Place of the Old "VV."

The printers and language makers of the latter part of the sixteenth century began to recognize the fact that there was a sound in spoken English which was without a representative in the shape of an alphabetical sign or character, as in the first sound in the word "wet."

Prior to that time it had always been spelled as "wet," the v having the long sound of u or of two u's together. In order to convey an idea of the new sound they began to spell such words as "wet," "weather," "wet," etc., with two u's, and as the u of that date was a typical v the three words above looked like this "Vvet," "Vvether," "Vvew."

After awhile the typefounders recognized the fact that the double v had come to stay, so they joined the two u's together and made the character now so well known as w. There are books in which three forms of the w are given. The first is an old double v vvv; the next is one in which the last stroke of the first v crosses the first stroke of the second, and the third is the common w we use today.

Real Literary Crumbs.

The librarian opened the book wide and shook it hard.

"Looking for possible love letters and mementos?" a visitor asked.

"No; breadcrumbers," said the librarian. "Subsequent readers do not mind love letters but they do object to breadcrumbers. Half the books brought back have crumbs tucked away between the leaves. That shows what a studious town we are. Our people are so enamored of literature that they can't stop reading long enough to eat; also it shows what a lonely town we are. Only people who live alone a great deal read anything except the newspaper at mealtime. And it shows what a slovenly town we are. In the interests of hygiene and aesthetics those voracious readers who cram their heads and their stomachs at the same time ought to clean their books of crumbs but they never do."

—New York Press.

Hindu Caste.

The four grades of society among the Hindus are the Brahmins or sacerdotal class, who are said at the moment of creation to have issued from the mouth of Brahma; the Kshatriya or Chutsee or military class, sprung from the arm of Brahma; the Vaisya or Bais or mercantile class, from the thigh of Brahma; and Sudras or Sooders or servile class, from the foot of Brahma. The business of the Sudras is to serve the three superior classes, more especially the Brahmins. Their condition is never to be improved. They are not to accumulate property and are unable by any means to approach the dignity of the higher classes. These divisions are hereditary, impassable and indestructible.

Precedent for "Governess."

Albert VII, archduke of Austria, married Isabella Clara Eugenie, Infanta of Spain, who brought to him as dowry the sovereignty of the Low Countries, etc. When Philip IV of Spain ascended the throne in 1621 he took from his aunt the sovereignty of the Low Countries but left her the title of governess. Her husband died soon after, whereon she took the veil though still retaining the reins of government. She died at Brussels in 1665, aged sixty-six. Here there is precedent for the use of the word governess when a lady holds the post.

—London Notes and Queries

Franklin on Long Graces.

Ben Franklin found the long grace used by his father before and after meals very tedious. One day after the winter's provision had been sauted he said, "I think, father, if you were to say grace over the whole cask once for all it would be a great saving of time."—Life.

No Danger.

Bobbs—I heard Tightwad boasting today that he had money to burn. Slobs—Well, I wouldn't be in any hurry to call out the fire department if I were you.—Philadelphia Record.

For Sale For Rent Lost Found

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DO MINORITIES RULE?

And Is There Really Such a Creature as "the Average Man?"

A very strong and racking doubt has got into my mind. One of the very mudsills of my subconsciousness, a very "sleeper" of my cosmic house, has been loosened, and all sorts of strange fancies, like little white and leggy insects, are scampering among my wits.

For it has occurred to me that, after all, the minority are in the majority. I know it sounds crazy. I know that heaven be thanked! I am spared the last illusion of the insane that I am sane.

But while I have always lived, moved and had my being under conviction that the majority not only rules

but also actually exists, come to think of it, I have never seen a majority, while everywhere about us is the large,

active and exceedingly vocal and as

tertive minority.

The majority of the people in the United States believe in our present form of government, yet I never met a man in my life that did not think he could improve it.

The majority are sound and well, but did you ever run across a well woman?

The majority are sane, yet have you ever found one man indubitably so?

The fact of the matter is that the average man is a myth; he is a mathematical hypothesis; he exists only for the purpose of statistics and arguments; he is the stuff out of which generalities are formed. He is like an atom or a kilowatt or a nebula by hypothesis. Everybody is abnormal.

Normality is merely the imaginary point where the abnormalities balance.

I never talked any length of time with a human being who did not say something like "Well, I am peculiar, I know." "I am strange."

"I am not like most folks," or words to that effect.

Strange that the entire population of the globe is in the minority!

The rarest person in the world to find is the one who does, says or thinks as most people do.—Frank Crane in Chicago News.

Madrid's Throne Room.

The throne room of the royal palace at Madrid is one of the most magnificently decorated in the world. Decorated in red and gold, it contains rock crystal chandeliers, colossal looking glasses of the finest quality, marble tables and priceless porphyry. The ceiling is painted by Tiepolo with the "Majesty of Spain," in illustration of the virtue of the kings and the manliness of the people, who are represented in the different costumes of the provinces. Here the sovereigns of Spain receive on grand occasions when alive and when dead are laid out in state.

Smothered Pig.

There is a fish in Hawaiian waters which is known by the native name of humuhumunukunukuapua'a, which means literally "sewing up the nose." The native Hawaiian method of killing a pig to be roasted is to smother it, not cut its throat, and it is smothered by sewing up the pig's mouth and nose. This fish with the long name has spines which in aneget times were used as needles to sew up the pig's mouth; hence the name more fully means "the fish that provides the needles for sewing up the nose of the pig."

LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Elizabeth Duvall of Speers left Wednesday for a week's visit at Conneaut Lake.

Dr. H. J. Repman has returned from Alberta, Canada, where he has been visiting relatives and looking over the country.

Mrs. J. G. Albright is shopping in Pittsburgh today.

Mrs. E. A. Grodecoeur of Monessen, formerly Miss Margaret Duvall, is visiting friends in town today.

An attractive and thoroughly up-to-date line of Fall Millinery at Stewart's, September 18. 42-36

Miss Bertha Smith has returned from a month's vacation which she spent at Lake Chautauqua.

Eugene Fau was in Pittsburgh yesterday on business.

R. Dale Jolliffe is visiting his brother in Monongahela today.

J. D. Berryman is transacting business in Pittsburgh today.

Miss Emma Tippins went to Washington today by way of automobile with friends from Monongahela.

Mrs. George Wagner left today for West Middlesex. Her daughter Mrs. Ray Emerich accompanied her as far as Pittsburgh.

C. O. Jones has been working in Mountville, W. Va. has moved there with his wife and family.

W. G. Sharpnack of Rices Landing is visiting his brother S. Walton Sharpnack of Washington avenue.

Mrs. Thomas Kendrick and son Bernard left last evening for Ontario and other points in Canada, where they will remain for several weeks. She was accompanied to Pittsburgh by Miss Ethel Kendrick and John S. Mentz of North Charleroi.

INDICATES EARLY CONSTRUCTION

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Monongahela, Ellsworth and Washington Street Railway company held at the Commercial hotel at Monongahela Monday evening, information was given out that the contract for the construction work would be awarded the latter part of this week. A number of bids have already been received for the construction work on Fourth street and other bids are looked for within the next few days. James Bryan, engineer for the company, reported that his work was about completed and S. H. Thompson the right-of-way man stated that he had his work in good shape and that the rights of way were available whenever the company desired them. The outlook is bright for the company.

BRIGADE CHANGES NIGHT OF DRILL

The Boys' Brigade of Charleroi held a meeting Tuesday night at which it was decided that the drill night be changed from Tuesday to Thursday. It is the intention of the Brigade to go to Washington next year to attend the Presidential inauguration and arrangements will be made later.

OLD CUSTOMS THAT STICK.

Blotting Sand in the Senate and Quill Pens in the Supreme Court.

Oddly enough, though blotting paper has elsewhere displaced all other forms of drying ink and is extensively used in the Senate by the senators as they write on their desks, the blotting paper being attached to a device with a handle to it and hung by a string from the desk, the old type of drying ink by means of sand still is permitted to such as care to use it.

The desk of every senator has a sand duster or powder box, resting in a hole in the top of the desk, looking like an inkwell. The box resembles a pepper shaker, and they are used, for many of the old senators prefer to pour sand on their ink rather than blot it.

The supreme court also holds fast to some practices almost out of use today. In front of the rostrum on which the Justices sit and in the space reserved for members of the bar are two long tables for the books and the sheepskins of the lawyers which may be needed by them as they present their cases to the court. On the tables are steel pens, blotters and bottles of ink, but also to be had is a collection of newly cut quill pens, fashioned by one of the attendants of the court, and they are used, for many of the older practitioners prefer them to the steel pens of this day.—Washington Cor. Boston Advertiser.

OHIO MAN WEDS

CHARLEROI BRIDE

A quiet church wedding took place at St. Jerome's church Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, the pastor Rev. W. D. Fries officiating. The bride was Miss Mary Schwaed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Schwaed of Crest avenue, and the groom was Martin Quinn of Steubenville, Ohio. The bridesmaid was Miss Julia Schwaed and the groomsman was Leo Schwaed, sister and brother of the bride.

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ONE CENT

ARNOLD CITY SCENE OF BRUTAL MURDER

William Dreggon Beaten
and Kicked to Death
by Boarder

MURDERER AT LARGE

Tragedy Occurred at Mid-
night as Result of a
Quarrel

A horrible and brutal murder occurred at Arnold City about midnight last night. In an altercation with a boarder named John Cheko, at his home William Dreggon was beaten and kicked to death. Cheko, the murderer, fled and officers are looking for him. The news of the murder was telephoned over to the Charleroi police at 1 o'clock last night, and they were notified to be on the lookout for the fugitive.

Dreggon, who is a Russian it is stated has been tending bar at McKeepsport. His family however, lived at Arnold City, the mining town at the end of the Monessen and Belle Vernon street car line, about three-quarters of a mile from Fayette City. Dreggon came home last night, it is stated, at about midnight. There was no one there but his wife and three small children, and a boarder named John Cheko.

For some cause, which has not yet been learned, Dreggon and Cheko became engaged in an altercation. It is supposed the men had been drinking, as it is stated that Cheko knocked Dreggon down with a beer bottle. Then in a frenzy of rage Cheko, who is a Russian of gigantic strength and stature, jumped upon the prostrate man, and beat and kicked him to death until his whole face and head was reduced to pulp.

Mrs. Dreggon, who was alone in the house with three small children, the eldest of whom is six years old, ran screaming for help. The most of the male population, including the constable, George Eckman, were at a dance a quarter of a mile away, and thither Mrs. Dreggon ran in quest of help. On arrival at the scene Constable Eckman quickly telephoned to Fayette City and summoned Constable John Lindy and Policeman Johnson Hutchcraft. The officers made a hasty search, driving as far at the Withaven mine, but could find no trace of the murderer.

Cheko, the murderer, is described as a man of six feet three or four inches in height. He is 35 years old and weighs about 190 pounds, of dark complexion, with a short mustache. He has a fresh cut across his nose and is blind in his left eye, usually wearing dark colored glasses. He worked in the Marianna mines in 1911 and among his effects at the Dreggon boarding house

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WARNING

Notice is hereby given that the laws regulating the speed of automobiles in the Borough of North Charleroi will be enforced to the limit. This action is necessary on account of the carelessness of drivers who endanger the lives of school children.

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The Winter Club

of Charleroi will hold their weekly dance at Eldora Park Friday evening, September 13. Select. Wheelers orchestra. 42-13

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WASHINGTON FAIR OPENS AUSPICIOUSLY

Over Two Thousand People in Attendance First

Day-Beautiful and Interesting Exhibits Excite Much Interest

From the large crowds in attendance, and the enthusiasm manifested, the first day of the Washington County Fair at Arden indicates that the institution is going to be the great success its promoters designed. It is estimated that at least 2,000 people were in attendance at the three track events during the afternoon and this is only the beginning.

Ideal weather prevailed and the crowds began coming in from the time the gates were opened at 8 o'clock in the morning. The beautiful line of exhibits at Floral Hall and other points of interest first attracted the throng, and there was not a dull moment up to the time the racing events started.

Floral Hall is naturally the first place of interest, with its varied assortment of beautiful exhibits and it is an unusually attractive place. Then comes Machinery Hall and the Stock Show. In the stock show the poultry exhibit is far ahead of that of last year and the same is true of the swine and horse departments. Sheep and cattle on exhibition are smaller in number than those of last year but many excellent specimens of the best known breeds of the county in these lines are on show. Nirella's band, one of the most popular and best musical organizations of Pittsburgh was on hand yesterday to set the crowd in holiday mood with the rendition of the popular and

raggy airs of the latest musical creations.

The china and needle work displays are others that rank among the most beautiful in the spacious structure. Another pleasing exhibit in the hall is that showing the work done by little children under the direction of the Children's Playgrounds association during the last summer.

The most interesting pieces of this exhibit are two small baskets made of beads by a blind lad of 12 years. This display consists of candy, bread, cakes and sewing of various kinds. Seldom if ever is there a better collection of specimens of fruit and vegetables on exhibition than that this year in the hall.

The features of the opening day racing card were the two races, a 2:27 class for trotters, a 2:19 class for pacers, and the running race, or half mile dash for a purse of \$125. The trotting race was taken by Master Axell, owned and driven by Geo. W. Baum of Pittsburgh, whose time was 2:25 1-4. Purse \$50.00. The pacing race was won by Medium Gazette, a Clarion horse. The time was 2:18 1-4 and the purse was \$500. The running race was featureless and was won by Miss Primity, owned by Gerwood. The time was 31 seconds. A strong racing card is on for today. The entries are such as will insure exciting races and a big crowd is expected.

WEST ALEX FAIR

TO BE HUMMER

Annual Exhibit to be Larger
and Better Than Ever
Before

The work of getting the grounds in shape for the banner fair in the history of the West Alexander Fair association, September 17, 18, and 19 has been begun. Preparations are being made for the overflow of exhibits in the live stock department, as already a sufficient number of entries have been received to show that the present stables will not be sufficient to accommodate all.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad has made concessions to the association, which will make the fair of easy access by railroad in addition to being easily reached over the City & Elm Grove street railway from Wheeling.

Secretary J. M. Gibson says the fair will be the greatest ever. Never in the history of the association has such great interest been evinced and the fair is certain to be a record-breaker in all departments and in attendance, and there are not many county fairs in the country that draw greater crowds than West Alexander.

There will be races on Wednesday and Thursday of the fair, two on each day and some great sport is promised in this department.

It is also stated that the State inspectors will be sent to Daisytown at once to investigate the matter.

It's a Girl

Mr. and Mrs. William Milliken of McKean avenue are receiving congratulations over the arrival of the stork at their home Tuesday afternoon. The new arrival is an 8 1-2 pound girl and it already is an important factor in the Milliken household.

WELL KNOWN CITIZEN CALLED BY DEATH

Joachim Ducoeur a well known Belgian resident of Charleroi died Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock at his home at 708 Lookout avenue of apoplexy. Mr. Ducoeur was about 52 years old and had lived in Charleroi about nine years. He had three brothers in America and three in Belgium. Besides his wife Mr. Ducoeur leaves three sons, Fernand, Joseph and Arthur. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the house. The interment will be in the Charleroi cemetery. Rev. J. E. Charles will officiate.

Dance
The Winter Club at Eldora Park Friday evening. Select. 42-13

THE COYLE THEATRE
SAFEST HOUSE IN STATE
CLEAN, COOL AND COMFORT-
ABLE

NEW EAGLE NAME OF NEW BOROUGH

Two Small Villages Below
Monongahela Are Incorporated into One

In the matter of the incorporation of the borough of New Eagle no exceptions having been filed to the petition, the court Tuesday handed down a decree incorporating the villages of New Eagle and Riverview into one borough to be known as New Eagle. These two villages adjoin each other and lie north of Monongahela, being almost suburbs of that city. The following are the officers of the new borough:

Burgess—John N. Jenkins.

Councilmen—Sid C. Wilson, Theo. Myers, Wm. Pickering, James Coulin, James Abbott, Henry Cook, John Roadman.

Collector of Taxes—Paul Berry.
High Constable—S. R. Frye.

Assessor—Ross Garbart.

Judges of Elections—Bert Teeple.

Inspectors of Elections—Matthew Murphy, John A. Smith.

These officials will serve until the next regular municipal election. The court further decrees that this borough of New Eagle is to be a separate school district and election district and fixes the place for the holding of the general and municipal elections at the New Eagle brick school building.

SNEAK THIEVES ROB LOCAL POOLROOM

For the fourth time since its opening H. L. Swickey's pool room on McKean avenue was robbed Tuesday night. The thieves broke one of the windows in the back and entered. They pried open the desk with an umbrella and broke the desk compartments with a hammer, taking what money that happened to be in the desk. At the present time the loss is not known.

Stewart will show the latest and most authoritative styles in autumn headwear, Wednesday, September 18. 42-13

Stewart announces her Fall Millinery Opening Wednesday, September 18. 42-13

NUTTING IS CHARGED WITH SERIOUS CRIME

Diphtheria Prevalent

Epidemic at Centerville is
Cause of Closing of the
Public Schools

The Centerville school was closed last week on account of an outbreak of diphtheria. Ethel, daughter of Principal A. P. Weaver, contracted the disease the past week. The disease which is said to be prevalent along the river section is in a bad form. As a result of the outbreak school may not open for some time.

WOMAN KILLED BY WIRE

Electrocuted Near Finleyville While Trying to Help Husband

HAD LEG BURNED OFF

Mrs. Jane Steubenbordt, aged 30 years, wife of Adolph Steubenbordt of near Finleyville, was electrocuted near her home Monday afternoon. The circumstances surrounding the tragedy are most peculiar and will be gone into at length at the inquest to be held by Coroner James Heffernan on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Steubenbordt was doing the family washing Monday afternoon. Her husband went to a spring nearby to secure a bucket of water. He was returning to the house when he stumbled against a guy wire attached to a pole. The man received an electrical shock violent enough to stun him and hurl him over a small declivity.

Seeing the accident Mrs. Steubenbordt with a scream ran toward her husband. She struck the guy wire as she ran and was instantly killed. Her left leg was burned off between the ankle and the knee.

A man who was nearby heard her scream and ran out in time to see her fall. With the aid of others he succeeded in removing the body after much trouble. The body of the dead woman was brought to the undertaking rooms of Ed. Shepler at Finleyville and the coroner notified.

Mr. Steubenbordt suffered no serious effects from his contact with the wire. There is considerable mystery as to how the guy wire became charged with the deadly fluid and the coroner will attempt to clear this up at the inquest.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors who extended their sympathy to us in our bereavement over the loss of our child, also the floral tributes. Their kindness will remain with us always.

42-13 Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mitchell.

THE DIAMOND

Should not only be of the

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SPELLS POVERTY.

A contributor to the Philadelphia Press, who has passed through the dear school of experience, gives a most forcible argument why our protective policy should not be abolished. He says:

working classes who will suffer most during this readjustment. A good policy to pursue is to let well enough alone.

POPULAR EDUCATION.

Pittsburg seems at least to have solved the problem of popular education. By the institution of a system of night schools, both elementary and high, and making these schools open to all—adults as well as children—with no requirements other than attendance and compliance with regulations on the part of pupils, it would seem that the desired results of free schools may be attained.

Free night schools, where adults, young men and women in particular can attend without the humiliation of having to go into small grades, but are accorded instruction individually, such as is desired, is the highest type of a popular system of education. In the millions of cases where children are obliged to leave school

opportunities often occur later in life where these same children could supplement their meagre educational training by attending the night schools if opportunity offered. The fact that hundreds of private night schools thrive, is sufficient argument for their regular institution.

There is no reason why the State should confine its free school service to children. There is not the slightest doubt but what the well being of society is conserved by opening the schools to adults. While young men and women are attending these schools they are not frequenting questionable resorts, nor getting in bad company. On the contrary the person who attends night school is usually actuated by inspiring motives, and is making an effort for self advancement. With these night schools open to young and old alike and universally established, the idea of popular education will be more fully realized. Pittsburg has set an inspiring example.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

It is now up to the heiress to elope with her father's aviator.

Col. Roosevelt's platform is a curious mixture of the decalogue and the monologue.

Many persons are afraid of a charged wire who do not in the least fear a charged account.

Some men work their way through college, but a whole lot more work their son's way through.

About the only virtue the chronic loafer has is the fidelity with which he sticks to his chosen occupation.

Some of these half naked costumes that kidlets wear nowadays puzzles one to determine whether the wearers are stylish or poor.

The Dallas News says that to every man the most beautiful woman in the world is the one you sadly miss when she's away, and most gladly welcome when she returns.

Even bound public documents which Congressmen give their constituents have their uses. They are good to prop up one end of the ironing board, or to make a high hair for the next to the youngest.

Every one knows we can lick Mexico, so what's the use of sending troops across the border. Those unorganized Greasers can play hide and seek with our soldiers as indefinitely as with the Mexican regulars.

There are many people who would scorn to pantomit a drink or a meal who do not have the slightest compunction in asking a newspaper for a free donation of space to advertise something in which they're interested.

When the Raven Was Milk White. According to Mohammedan belief

on the ark were both pure white. When the ark had been riding the billows of the flood for thirty-three days one of the giraffes died, and the captain threw him overboard. No sooner had he struck the water than the raven pounced upon it. For this Noah pronounced him a curse, and said that day he

PICKED UP IN PASSING

LAUGHTER AND TEARS

Why an Outburst of the One May Cause a Flow of the Other.

What is laughter and why do tears so often accompany it?

On each side of the throat is an artery called the carotid. At the level of the larynx this divides one branch which carries blood to the brain, being called the internal, the other, which distributes blood to the face, being called the external. These two branches are joined about the level of the eyes by the ophthalmic artery, which forms a canal between them. This communication is the cause of the close connection between the brain and the tear glands, between laughter and grief, both of which are generators of tears.

Physiologically, a burst of laughter is nothing but a strenuous effort, like lifting a heavy weight. In both cases the muscles of the throat and stomach contract.

When laughter is excessive the whole body is convulsed; every muscle is contracted. In the place of normal respiration come short intermittent respirations insufficient to free the lungs from the semi-asphyxia produced by the contraction of the throat muscles. The face shows the contraction of the blood vessels of the head.

Apoplexy may in rare cases result

from the extreme effort which

the external artery which

supplies the brain with blood

in consequence this rushes up the internal carotid, which becomes choked

and dilated. It can stand the pressure

only because the ophthalmic artery re

verses it. Taking this route the blood

congests the tear glands, which over

flow.

Temperance is quite as necessary

in the ingestion of tea, coffee and

food, as in alcohol. We do not be

lieve any person can drink two or

three cups of strong coffee or tea at

every meal, as so many do, and not

eventually pay the price of the indis

cretion. Nor can a man drink sev

eral glasses of spirituous liquor day

without meeting the inevitable re

sults.

If in tea, coffee, food and alcohol

we would bear in mind Milton's ad

monition,

Well observe

The rule of not too much, by temper

ance taught,

In what thou eat'st and drink'st,

there would be no demand for the so

called substitute for coffee and tea.

To be poetically inclined the banish

ment of these delightful beverages

would play havoc. How we love to

ruminant over the heart spoken

words of Sydney Smith:

Thank God for tea! What would the world do without tea? How did it exist? I am glad I was not born before tea.

Or Colley Cibber, that word paint

er:

Tea! thou soft, thou sober, sage and

venerable liquid,

thou female tongue running, smile smooth

ing, heart opening, wink, tippling

cordial, to whose glorious insipidity I

owe the happiest moment of my life,

let me fall prostrate.

Even the dignified Waller believed

that tea "keeps the peace of the soul

serene."

If men persist in allowing habit to

obtain the upper hand, it may be

necessary to curb the desire for such

drinks as tea and coffee as well as al

cohol beverages. The Germans are

introducing mate as a substitute for

coffee, as its alkaloidal content is so

small as to be practically harmless.

The mate leaf is largely used in

South America. The average con

sumption in Paraguay is twenty-nine

pounds per capita and in Argentina

twenty pounds. Many people dislike

the smoky flavor of mate, due to the

crude way of preparing the leaves—

the drying of them over an open fire.

But it is claimed that superior

methods of preparation will make

a powerful rival of coffee and

tea, all the more as it is much cheaper.

A pound of it makes five times

as many cups as a pound of coffee;

and, unlike tea leaves, the mate

leaves can be used for a second in

fusion without impairment of the

quality.

Seventeenth Century Grocers.

Department stores would have fared

hard in the seventeenth century un

less their proprietors could have in

duced parliament to grant more privi

leges than were allowed to other shop

keepers. The articles that a grocer

might sell were definitely prescribed.

They were "raysons, currants, sugar

spice, soap, candle, molasses, gunpow

der, shot, match, tar, pitch, resin, to

honey, cotton yarn, starch, bluing,

prunes, figs, linseed oil, lead, olives

fish, Spanish white alabaster, alum

almonds, brimstone, lampblack and

candle rushes.

No Money, No Marriage.

"A fortune teller told me that you

are going to marry me," said the young

woman with the proudest socks.

"Did she also tell you that you are

going to inherit a very large fortune?"

Inquired the girl with the matinee hair

"She didn't say anything about a

fortune."

"Then she is not much of a fortune

teller, and you had better not place

any reliance in anything she says."

Washington Herald

Maternalism.

Kind Gentleman: What are you go

ing to do, Johnny, when you become

a man? Johnny—Awful.

Kind Gentleman—What? Not going to do

anything? Johnny—No. Just as soon

as I started something we would tell

me to stop it.—Judge

Never Tempted.

"George Washington never told a lie."

"Well, he wasn't much of a sinner

any way."—St. Louis Pioneer Press

Pretty Grouchy.

Gabe-Smith is a grouchy guy. Isn't he?



"Why Didn't You Telephone?"

"Guess you're too late, Mr. Jones; the boss is closing that order over the wire now."

Had the travel-tired salesman taken a telephone toll trip, he never would have heard these words. He would have saved expense and disappointment to both himself and house.

One thing is sure—local, toll or long distance Bell service "gets you in on the ground floor," when you want it. People are "in" to the telephone. A telephone call means action. Travel the Bell highway. There are prospects and profits along the road.

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The Mystery of Love.

If a man should importune me to give a reason why I loved him I find it could not otherwise be expressed than by making answer, because it was he because it was I. There is beyond all that I am able to say. I know not what love's subtle and fated power that brought on this union. Monaigne.

By Evelyn.

"The love of man is what every book says, and what every man and woman in the world seems to know, is a most peculiar meeting between 'Yes, he's an Eskimo,'" said the manager.

"An Eskimo. What on earth needs you take him on?"

"Oh, I thought it would be a comfort to see one happy face if the plan turns out to be a frost."

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San Cura Ointment Stops Terrible Skin Itch Like Magic—Cures Eczema, Salt Rheum and Heals Ulcers.

It's the most wonderful ointment on earth.

Thousands have blessed the day they first heard of San Cura for in thousands of homes in America, it's wonderful quick acting healing power has freed from terrible affliction one or more persons.

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STEEL RAILS A MARVEL

The Strain, the Pull, the Pounding and Grinding They Endure.

Have you an idea of the strain to which a steel rail is subjected today? Let us consider one for a moment. In see. The Cannon Ball express is coming. It is drawn by two engines. The largest weighs 100 tons. Seventy-seven tons of the weight are carried on the six driving wheels, which means almost thirteen tons to each wheel. Thirteen tons of weight upon each wheel! That means thirteen tons of weight impinging for a flying instant upon a rail surface perhaps no more than an inch square and then moving forward all the time, a succession of whirling blows from a thirteen ton hammer.

If the train is going thirty miles an hour an imaginary square inch has but one five-hundred-and-twenty-eighth part of a second in which to receive the blow, since under it, distributes the terrible force of it through its elastic elements to the surrounding mass of the rail, brace itself to help distribute stresses that are being set up on adjacent surfaces and zigzagging back and forth in all sorts of ways through the content of the rail and then almost instantly lift its dead weight to the top of the next driving wheel. If the train is going sixty miles an hour instead of thirty this all has to be received, withstood and passed on in one tenth-hundred-and-fifty-sixth part of a second.

"You aren't in any great hurry, so why don't you have it done right? Put one of your cows on that land and give her time to lay out a path up that hill. Trust her to find the easiest and most comfortable grade."

Mr. Billings followed the suggestion and in the course of time the cow made a path which has long since been developed into a permanent, winding, slowly ascending roadway. Saturday Evening Post.

BIRTH OF A LETTER.

The Way "W" Came to Take the Place of the Old "VV."

The printers and language makers of the latter part of the sixteenth century began to recognize the fact that there was a sound in spoken English which was without a representative in the shape of an alphabetical sign or character, as in the first sound in the word "wet."

Prior to that time it had always been spelled as "wet," that having the long sound of u or of two u's together. In order to convey an idea of the new sound they began to spell such words as "wet," "weather," "web," etc., with two u's, and as the u of that date was a typical u the three words above looked like this: "wet," "weather," "web."

After awhile the typefounders recognized the fact that the double u had come to stay, so they joined the two u's together and made the character now so well known as w. There are books in which three forms of the w are given. The first is an old double u (w); the next is one in which the last stroke of the first u crosses the first stroke of the second, and the third is the common w we use today.

The Explanation.

Robert Henri, the artist, said in New York of a bogus "old master":

"Some of these experts must be very ignorant, judging from the facility with which they are duped. They must be ready to swallow anything. It's like the Velasquez story."

"An auctioneer, you know, put up the picture, saying:

"Here we are, ladies and gentlemen—this exquisite Velasquez—'Battle of Waterloo.' What am I bid? One million nine hundred thousand!"

"'Bid' interrupted an expert in a puzzled voice—but I thought Velasquez died before the battle of Waterloo?"—New York Tribune.

"Barber's Music."

Barbers in the old days might well charge heavily, for theirs must have been a nerve racking existence. Zithers were provided instead of newspapers, and customers used to strum on these while waiting for a vacant chair. Dekker, writing early in the seventeenth century, refers to "a barber's zither for every man to play on." The term "barber's music" was a common one in the days of Pepys, who on June 5, 1660, records, "After supper my lord called for the lieutenant's zither, and with two candlesticks, with money in them for symbols, we made barber's music, with which my lord was very well pleased."—London Standard.

Curt and Concise.

A certain surly old Yankee who runs a small summer hotel on the Massachusetts coast once received a rambling letter from a prospective guest, who wrote to engage "two large, sunny rooms overlooking the ocean and connecting with private bath." One may imagine the lady's surprise at getting the following curt reply: "Dear Madam—All rooms face the ocean, and that's your bath!"—Lippincott's.

Considerate.

X. (an incorrigible borrower)—Lend me a fiver, old man. Y. (weakly lending him £4 10s.)—I'm keeping the other shilling to pay for the postage of the letters which I shall have to write you before I get my money back. X. (footing it).—Keep 5 shillings, then. That will give me more time.—London Tit-Bits.

Something to Try.

Tweed & Cheviot, tailors, wrote to Livingston's Bigfront as follows:

"We must have something on account by Saturday next. What can we count on?"

"And Mr. Bigfront promptly replied:

Jarred His Dad.

Father—No, indeed! My father never heard me tell a lie! Willie—Was grandpa as deaf and grandma?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Who loves too much hate in the like extreme.—Pope.

To be overpolite is to be rude.—Japanese Proverb.

For Sale For Rent Lost Found —OR—

Wanted

Don't waste valuable time looking around for the ordinary "wants" of life. If you wish to rent or sell a property, to dispose of household furniture, or anything else you want to sell or if you want to hire your services to some one, or hire services from some one else, or if you have lost or found anything, an expenditure of a trifling amount in the

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New Fall Styles

Are Being Shown in All That's New

The Latest From the Best Houses
of the East

OUR BUYERS have returned and we are receiving daily shipments of the pick of eastern markets. These garments embody all that is chic, stylish and new--the latest in design, the best in workmanship.

Our racks and cases are filling rapidly with COATS, SUITS, SKIRTS--a pleasing array for the critical eye.

JOHNNY COATS—The newest and most popular model of the eastern cities are going to be popular everywhere this season. You should select one from our stock now.

A three-quarter length coat coming in the finest wools. Colors—black, blue, and diagonal grays with red, blue, and primrose silk linings. They are indeed a becoming garment. Priced

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An Underground Canal.

Between Worsley and St. Helens, in the north of England, is the most remarkable canal in the world. It is underground, from end to end, and is sixteen miles long. In Lancashire the coal mines are very extensive, half the country being undermined, and many years ago the Duke of Bridgewater's managers thought they could save money by transporting the coal underground instead of on the surface. The canal was constructed and the mines connected and drained at the same time. Ordinary canal boats are used, but the power is furnished by men. On the roof of the tunnel arch are cross pieces, and the men do the work of propulsion by lying on their backs on the coal and pushing with their feet against the crossbars on the roof.—*Argus*.

Thrice Wrecked in One Week. In 1883 as the schooner *Albatross* was driving east across the Banks in a murky storm she met her end from a low-lying berg. Of her crew of ten only two escaped, having cut clear the dinghy and launched it safely. Next day they were picked up by the fishing schooner *Energy*, making for the Newfoundland coast. Driven south by bad weather, she sighted, two days later, the steamer *Liddesdale*, with a load of cotton. She agreed to take the castaway, and in closing with the *Energy* sank her, but saved her crew. Thirty-six hours later the *Liddesdale* herself went ashore near Cape Race and became a total loss. Thus the two men were wrecked three times in one week, berg, steamboat and rock.

Caustics by Reflection. It is found that in concave spherical mirrors the reflected rays only come to a definite focus in the point when the angular aperture of the mirror does not exceed 8 or 10 degrees. With a larger aperture the rays reflected near the edge cut the axis of the mirror at a point nearer its surface than those from points immediately around the center. This being so and the curve of the mirror being continuous, a corresponding curve of successive focal points is formed in space and can be rendered visible by the rays falling on a reflecting surface, such as a sheet of white paper or a tablecloth. The napkin ring is a cylinder and possesses the properties of the spherical mirror along one diameter. The rays falling upon portions more remote from the center line are brought to a different focus from those falling nearer the center.

Bird's Nest of Steel. In the Museum of Natural History at Soleure, in Switzerland, there is a bird's nest made entirely of steel. There are a number of clockmaking shops at Soleure, and in the yards of these shops there are often found lying disused or broken springs of clocks. One day a clockmaker noticed in a tree in his yard a bird's nest of peculiar appearance. Examining it he found that a pair of wagtails had built a nest entirely of clock springs. It was more than four inches across and perfectly comfortable for the birds. After the feathered architects had reared their brood the nest was taken to the museum, where it is preserved as a striking illustration of the skill of birds in turning their surroundings to advantage in building their nests.

DO MINORITIES RULE?

And Is There Really Such a Creature as "the Average Man?"

A very strong and racking doubt has got into my mind. One of the very modish of my subconsciousness, a very "sleeper" of my cosmic house, has been loosened, and all sorts of strange fancies, like little white and leggy insects, are scampering among my wits.

For it has occurred to me that, after all, the minority are in the majority. I know it sounds crazy. I know that Heaven be thanked! I am spared the last illusion of the insane that I am sane.

But while I have always lived, moved and had my being under conviction that the majority not only rules but also actually exists, come to think of it, I have never seen a majority, while everywhere about us is the large, active and exceedingly vocal and as servile minority.

The majority of the people in the United States believe in our present form of government, yet I never met a man in my life that did not think he could improve it.

The majority are sound and well, but did you ever run across a well woman?

The majority are sane, yet have you ever found one man indubitably so?

The fact of the matter is that the average man is a myth: he is a mathematical hypothesis; he exists only for the purpose of statistics and arguments; he is the stuff out of which generalities are formed. He is like an atom or a kilowatt or a nebular hypothesis. Everybody is abnormal.

Normality is the imaginary point where the abnormalities balance

I never talked any length of time

with a human being who did not by and say something like "Well, I am peculiar, I know."

"I am not like most folks," or words

to that effect.

Strange that the entire population of the globe is in the minority!

The rarest person in the world to find is the one who does, says or thinks as most people do.—Frank Crane in Chicago News.

Madrid's Throne Room.

The throne room of the royal palace at Madrid is one of the most magnificent in the world. Decorated in red and gold, it contains rock crystal chandeliers, colossal looking glasses of the finest quality, marble tables and priceless porphyry. The ceiling is painted by Tiepolo with the "Majesty of Spain," in illustration of the virtue of the kings and the manliness of the people, who are represented in the different costumes of the provinces. Here the sovereigns of Spain receive on grand occasions when alive and when dead are laid out in state.

Smothered Pig.

There is a fish in Hawaiian waters which is known by the native name of humuhumukunukupukupuwa, which means literally "sewing up the nose." The native Hawaiian method of killing a pig is to catch it and smother it, not cut its throat, and it is smothered by sewing up the pig's mouth and nose. This fish with the long name has spines which in ancient times were used as needles to sew up the pig's mouth; hence the name more fully means "the fish that provides the needles for sewing up the nose of the pig."

LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Elizabeth Duvall, of Spears left Wednesday for a week's visit at Conneaut Lake.

Dr. H. J. Repman has returned from Alberta, Canada, where he has been visiting relatives and looking over the country.

Mrs. J. G. Albright is shopping in Pittsburg today.

Mrs. E. A. Grodecoeur of Monessen, formerly Miss Margaret Duvall, is visiting friends in town today.

An attractive and thoroughly up-to-date line of Fall Millinery at Stewart's, September 18. 42-16

Miss Bertha Smith has returned from a month's vacation which she spent at Lake Chautauqua.

Eugene Fau was in Pittsburg yesterday on business.

R. Dale Jolliffe is visiting his brother in Monongahela today.

J. D. Berryman is transacting business in Pittsburg today.

Miss Emma Tippins went to Washington today by way of automobile with friends from Monongahela.

Mrs. George Wagner left today for West Middlesex. Her daughter Mrs. Ray Americi accompanied her as far as Pittsburg.

C. O. Jones has been working in Moundsville, W. Va. has moved there with his wife and family.

W. G. Sharpnack of Rices Landing is visiting his brother S. Walton Sharpnack of Washington avenue.

Mrs. Thomas Kendrick and son Bernard left last evening for Ontario and other points in Canada, where they will remain for several weeks. She was accompanied to Pittsburg by Miss Ethel Kendrick and John S. Mentz of North Charleroi.

INDICATES EARLY CONSTRUCTION

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Monongahela, Ellsworth and Washington Street Railway company held at the Commercial hotel at Monongahela Monday evening, information was given out that the contract for the construction work would be awarded the latter part of this week. A number of bids have already been received for the construction work on Fourth street and other bids are looked for within the next few days. James Bryan, engineer for the company, reported that his work was about completed and S. H. Thompson the right-of-way man stated that he had his work in good shape and that the rights of way were available whenever the company desired them. The outlook is bright for the company.

BRIGADE CHANGES NIGHT OF DRILL

The Boys Brigade of Charleroi held a meeting Tuesday night at which it was decided that the drill night be changed from Tuesday to Thursday. It is the intention of the Brigade to go to Washington next year to attend the Presidential inauguration and arrangements will be made later.

OLD CUSTOMS THAT STICK.

Blotting Sand in the Senate and Quill Pens in the Supreme Court.

Oddly enough, though blotting paper has elsewhere displaced all other forms of drying ink and is extensively used in the Senate by the senators as they write on their desks, the blotting paper being attached to a device with a handle to it and hung by a string from the desk, the old type of drying ink by means of sand still is permitted to such as care to use it.

The desk of every senator has a sand duster or pounce box, resting in a hole in the top of the desk, looking like an inkwell. The box resembles a pepper shaker, and they are used, for many of the old senators prefer to pour sand on their ink rather than blot it.

The supreme court also holds fast to some practices almost out of use today in front of the rostrum on which the justices sit and in the space reserved for members of the bar are two long tables for the books and the sheepskins of the lawyers which may be needed.

The court On the tables are steel pens, blotters and bottles of ink, but also to be had is a collection of newly cut quill pens, fashioned by one of the attendants of the court, and they are used, for many of the older practitioners prefer them to the steel pens of the lawyers which may be needed.

OHIO MAN WEDS

CHARLEROI BRIDE

A quiet church wedding took place at St. Jerome's church Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, the pastor Rev. W. D. Fries officiating. The bride was Miss Mary Schwae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Schwae of Crest avenue, and the groom was Martin Quinn of Steubenville, Ohio. The bridesmaid was Miss Julia Schwae and the groomsman was Leo Schwae, sister and brother of the bride.

A wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, at 11 o'clock, after which the couple left for Steubenville, Ohio, where they will make their future home. Out of town guests were Miss Elizabeth Obermire of Chicago and Miss Anna Quinn of Steubenville. The bride is an accomplished and estimable young woman, who has a wide circle of Charleroi friends to extend good wishes for her future happiness. Mr. Quinn, the groom, is a young man of excellent reputation with a promising career in prospect.

Two Curious Knives.

When Sheffield first became famous for its cutlery a peculiarly shaped knife, designed for a variety of uses, was made with great care and sent to the agent of the Cutlers' company in London. On one of the blades was engraved the following challenge:

"London for thy life.

Show us such another knife.

The London cutlers, to show that they were equal to their Sheffield brothers, made a knife with a single wavy blade, the blade having a crest containing a rye straw two and a half inches in length, wholly surrounded by the steel, yet, notwithstanding the fact that the blade was well tempered, the straw was not burned, singed or charred in the heat. It is needless to add that the Sheffield cutlers acknowledged themselves outdone in ingenuity.

Byles on Bills.

Among the humorous memories connected with English judges is one of Justice Byles and his horse. This eminent jurist was well known in his profession for his work on "Bills," and as this gave a due opportunity for alliteration his associates were accustomed to bestow the name on the horse, which was but a sorry steed. "There goes Byles on Bills," they took pleasure in saying, and as the judge rode out every afternoon they indulged daily in their little joke. But the truth was that the horse had another name, known only to the master and his man, and when a too curious client inquired as to the judge's whereabouts he was told by the servant, with a clear conscience that "master was out on business."

The French Imperial Guard.

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